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A MEMORIAL

ENCOURAGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO CONTINUE THE FUNDING AND COMPLETION
OF SBINET.

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1 To the Congress of the United States of America:

2 Your memorialist respectfully represents:

3 Whereas, the safety and security of Arizona's southern border are
4 critical to the economy and the health and welfare of all Arizona citizens;
5 and

6 Whereas, the federal government, through the United States Customs and
7 Border Protection's Secure Border Initiative Network program (SBInet), is
8 allocating millions of dollars and significant resources to developing and
9 deploying personnel, infrastructure, technologies and rapid response
10 platforms to prohibit the illegal entry of people and contraband across the
11 entire southern border of Arizona; and

12 Whereas, SBInet is a program of intense national interest with a
13 challenge to accomplish something that has never before been done and is
14 committed to delivering a system to the United States government that will
15 support the United States Customs and Border Protection in detecting,
16 apprehending and processing people who cross Arizona's border illegally;
17 facilitate legitimate cross-border travel and commerce; and most importantly,
18 provide taxpayers with the best value solution over the life of the program;
19 and

20 Whereas, SBInet will deliver the ability to detect entries into the
21 United States when they occur, to identify what the entry is and to classify
22 its level of threat, thereby allowing the border patrol to effectively and
23 efficiently respond to the entry, and to resolve the situation with
24 appropriate law enforcement; and

25 Whereas, Arizona takes pride in being the first state to receive the
26 benefits of SBInet; and

27 Whereas, by the end of calendar year 2008, the SBInet program will
28 deploy fencing, vehicle barriers and proven current and next-generation
29 technology, including radars, sensors, communications enhancements and the
30 requisite number of United States Customs and Border Protection Border Patrol
31 agents to secure Arizona's southern border.

32 Wherefore your memorialist, the Senate of the State of Arizona, prays:

33 1. That the United States Congress continue the funding and completion
34 of SBInet by the target date of December 31, 2008.

35 2. That the Secretary of State of the State of Arizona transmit copies
36 of this Memorial to the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of
37 the United States House of Representatives and each Member of Congress from
38 the State of Arizona.

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